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SUBJECT: VENEZUELAN AIR FORCE REQUEST FOR AIRLIFT ASSISTANCE

REF: HQ USAF WASHDC 082045Z FEB 77 (NOTAL),

COMSUSMILGP/CARACAS 271733Z DEC 76 (NOTAL),

COMUSMILGP/CARACAS 281640Z JAN 77 (NOTAL)

1. REFERENCED MESSAGES CONCERN VENEZUELAN AIR FORCE (FAV) REQUEST FOR AIRLIFT ASSISTANCE TO MOVE A DAMAGED MIRAGE ATAR JET ENGINE FROM LAJES FIELD, AZORES, TO ANY FRENCH AIRFIELD NEAR BORDEAUX WHERE THERE IS AN ENGINE REPAIR FACILITY. PREVIOUS COMUSMILGP CARACAS MESSAGES (REFERENCED) CONTAINED MILGP/EMBASSY RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL FOR USAF TO FLY ENGINE TO FRANCE UNDER THE NATIONAL INTEREST TRAFFIC PROVISIONS OF ARF 76-8. HQ USAF MESSAGE (SEE REF) NOTED THAT APPLICABLE DOD DIRECTIVE REQUIRES THAT THREE CONDITIONS BE MET FOR USE OF USAF TRANSPORTATION IN SUCH CASES.

2. THE EMBASSY IS CONVINCED THAT THIS REQUEST FULLY MEETS DOD REGULATIONS AND ACCORDINGLY IS HEREBY RESUBMITTING THE REQUEST FOR THE DEPARTMENT'S CONSIDERATION. FIRST, THE FAV HAS INFORMED US THAT

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THERE IS NO REPEAT NO COMMERCIAL TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE THROUGH LAJES FOR THIS TYPE OF CARGO. SECOND, THE EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT SUPPORT TO THE FAV IN THIS CASE WOULD DEFINITELY BE IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST AS AN APPROPRIATE RECIPROCAL GESTURE SINCE THE FAV HAS PROVIDED US WITH OUTSTANDING SUPPORT OVER THE YEARS, TO WIT: FAV HAS BEEN EXCEPTIONALLY GENEROUS IN PROVIDING FREE SPACE AVAILABLE TRANSPORTATION

TO MIAMI FOR U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL AND DEPENDENTS DURING PAST FIVE YEARS; IN DECEMBER, 76 FAV PROVIDED FREE AIRLIFT FROM MIAMI TO CARACAS OF A WRESTLING MAT FOR U.S. HIGH SCHOOL IN CARACAS; DURING DECEMBER, 76 VISIT OF FORMER VICE-PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER FAV PROVIDED EXCELLENT SUPPORT ON AIRFIELD USE, COMMUNICATIONS, SECURITY AND HELICOPTER AIRLIFT/STANDBY WITH NO CHARGE TO USG. THIRD FAV IS WILLING TO ACCEPT MOVEMENT OF JET ENGINE ON SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS AND WILL REIMBURSE USG FOR ALL COSTS RELATED TO ENGINE TRANSPORT.

3. GIVEN THE FOREGOING, THE EMBASSY URGES THE DEPARTMENT TO APPROVE THE FAV REQUEST AND SO CERTIFY TO DOD FOR IMPLEMENTATION.
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